

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In re Application of)	WT Docket No. 08-20
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WILLIAM F. CROWELL)	FCC File No. 0002928684
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Licensee of Station W6WBJ in the Amateur Radio)	
Service for Renewal of Station License)	
)	
For Renewal of Amateur Radio Advanced Class)	
Operator License)	

**To: Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission**

**Attn: Robert L. Sippel,
Administrative Law Judge**

**APPLICANT’S PETITION TO PERMIT HIM TO APPEAR AT ALL PRE-
HEARING CONFERENCES BY TELEPHONE/SPEAKERPHONE
[47 C.F.R., Part I, Subpart B, § 1.248(f)]**

Today, March 30, 2017, I, Applicant-licensee WILLIAM F. CROWELL, received an email from Administrative Law Judge Robert L. Sippel, the Presiding Officer herein, notifying me that he intends to hold a pre-hearing conference herein on April 6, 2017 at 10:30 A.M. in the Office of Administrative Law Judge's courtroom in Washington, D.C. I hereby request the ALJ to permit me to appear at said

pre-hearing conference, and at all future pre-hearing conferences herein, by telephone/speakerphone.

I have not the means to travel to Washington, D.C. for any hearings herein. I wish to defend my rights herein, but will be unable to afford to do so if I am forced to travel to Washington, D.C. for hearings.

I do not believe it would cause any substantial hardship or unfairness to the Commission, the Office of Administrative Law Judges or to the Enforcement Bureau if the ALJ were to permit me to appear at all pre-hearing conferences herein by speakerphone.

I therefore request that the ALJ permit me to appear at all pre-hearing conferences herein by speakerphone.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this Petition is signed on March 30, 2017 at Diamond Springs, El Dorado County, California.

Respectfully submitted,

(original signed)
William F. Crowell
Applicant-licensee

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PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL
[47 C.F.R. Part I, Subpart A, §1.47]

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of El Dorado County, California. I am the Applicant-licensee herein. I am over the age of 18 years. My address is: 1110 Pleasant Valley Road, Diamond Springs, California 95619-9221.

On March 30, 2017 I served the foregoing Petition To Appear At Pre-Hearing Conferences By Telephone/Speakerphone on all interested parties herein by placing true copies thereof, each enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid, in a United States mail box at Diamond Springs, California, addressed as follows:

Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Attention: ALJ Sippel
445 – 12th Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554
(original and 6 copies)

Pamela S. Kane, Special Counsel, Investigations & Hearings Division
Enforcement Bureau, Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554

I further declare that, on this same date, I emailed a copy of this document to the ALJ and to Bureau Counsel, and that I filed this document under the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this proof of service was executed on March 30, 2017 at Diamond Springs, California.

(original signed)
William F. Crowell